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2006-07 Federal Electronics Reuse and Recycling Campaign (ERRC) Launches on America Recycles Day

On America Recycles Day, November 15, 2006, the Office of the Federal Environmental Executive, the Environmental Protection Agency, and other Federal partners will launch a special campaign to encourage all Federal facilities to recycle or donate their used computers and other electronic equipment. The campaign concludes March 15, 2007. On Earth Day, April 22, 2007, White House recognition will be given to selected Federal facilities and agencies that recycle or donate the most electronics during the 2006-07 ERRC. General ERRC information is available at www.federalelectronicchallenge.net/errc/.

During last year's ERRC, nearly 70 facilities from 11 agencies donated for reuse or recycled a total of approximately 2.5 million pounds of electronic equipment. The Department of Energy won the "Outstanding Agency" Award, outpacing the ten other participating Federal agencies. To win, eleven DOE facilities reused or recycled a total of more than a half million pounds of surplus and end of life electronics over four months. "It was a real honor for DOE to be nationally recognized for accomplishments in electronics stewardship," states Jerry Hanley, Director of the DOE Property Management Division (MA-632). "We would like to win this honor again in 2007".

The eleven DOE sites who participated in the 2005-06 ERRC and received copies of the Agency Award include Argonne National Laboratory, Brookhaven National Laboratory, Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory, DOE Headquarters, Idaho National Laboratory, Kansas City Plant, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, National Energy Technology Laboratory, Richland Operations Office, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, and the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP).

WIPP and the Kansas City Plant also received 2005-06 ERRC "Medium Facility" and "Large Facility" achievement awards, respectively. Lawrence Livermore and Brookhaven National Laboratories were finalists for facility awards as well.

For more information on how DOE sites can participate in the 2006-07 ERRC, contact Jeff Eagan in the Office of Nuclear Safety and Environmental Assistance (HS-22) at 202-586-4598, or at jeff.eagan@eh.doe.gov.